DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

DHEC-Bureau of Land and Waste Management, File # 400149 Lancaster Synthesis, Inc. Site

NOTICES OF VOLUNTARY CLEANUP CONTRACT, CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION, AND COMMENT PERIOD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (the Department) intends to enter into a Voluntary Cleanup Contract (VCC) with Clariant Corporation. (the Responsible Party). The VCC provides that the Responsible Party, with DHEC's oversight, will fund and perform future response actions at the Lancaster Synthesis, Inc. facility located in Richland County, at 257 Hiram Allen Road, Blythewood, South Carolina (Site).

Future response actions addressed in the VCC include, but may not be limited to, the Responsible Party submitting to the Department a pilot study work plan to address contamination at former source areas, submitting to the Department a private well supply monitoring and contingency work plan for the protection of private drinking water wells near the Site, and if necessary, a feasibility study to evaluate alternatives to clean-up the Site. Further, the Responsible Party will reimburse the Department's past response costs of \$19,339.27 and the Department's future costs of overseeing the work performed by the Responsible Party and other Department response costs pursuant to the VCC.

The VCC is subject to a thirty-day public comment period consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9613, and the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Act (HWMA), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200 (as amended). Notice of Contribution Protection and Comment Period will be provided to known potentially responsible parties. The VCC is available:

- (1) On-line at http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices; or
- (2) By contacting Elisa Vincent at 803-898-0882 or vincenef@dhec.sc.gov.

Any comments to the proposed VCC must be submitted in writing, postmarked no later than September 24, 2018, and addressed to: Elisa Vincent, DHEC-BLWM-SARR, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Upon the successful completion of the VCC, the Responsible Party will receive a covenant not to sue for the work done in completing the response actions specifically covered in the VCC and completed in accordance with the approved work plans and reports. Upon execution of the VCC, the Responsible Party shall be deemed to have resolved its liability to the State in an administrative settlement for purposes of, and to the extent authorized under CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9613(f)(2) and 9613(f)(3)(B), and under HWMA, S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, for the matters addressed in the VCC. Further, to the extent authorized under 42 U.S.C. Section 9613(f)(3)(B), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, the Responsible Party may seek contribution from any person who is not a party to this administrative settlement.